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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ECLA, EGEN, PFOR, MEX  
SUBJECT: HAPPENINGS AT MEXICO CITY -- THE GROUP OF 77

REF: MEXICO 11697

1. SUBSEQUENT TO DESPATCH OF REFTEL, WE HAVE HAD EXTENSIVE CONVERSATIONS WITH IGLESIAS (ECLA), PENELOSA (HABITAT), OLIVIERI (ARGENTINE MINISTER), ARIAS (VENEZUELA) AND OTHER ACTIVISTS WITH RESPECT TO THE G-77 SESSION WHICH COMMENCES THIS A.M. THE PAKISTANI INITIATIVE HAS FORCED A COMPLETE REORGANIZATION OF THE PROGRAM OF WORK. THE PRESENT SCENARIO PROVIDES FOR A PLENARY WHICH IS EXPECTED TO RUN FOR 3 DAYS AND TWO TECHNICAL OR WORKING COMMITTEES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PLENARY WILL LARGEMLY BE A REHASH OF STATEMENTS GIVEN AT COLOMBO, ALTHOUGH THERE MAY BE FURTHER COMMENTS UPON THE ISSUES NOW DRAWN BY PAKISTAN ET AL.

2. THE FIRST COMMITTEE WILL DEAL WITH SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, INCLUSIVE OF TRADE, FINANCE, DEBT, TECHNICAL AND THE EXCHANGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. BY AND LARGE THIS COMMITTEE WILL CONFIDENTIAL

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BE REVIEWING INITIATIVES, DECISIONS AND ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE

G-77 SINCE MANILA. AT THIS STAGE IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT ANY NEW GROUP WILL BE BROKEN.

3. THE SECOND COMMITTEE HAS BEEN RECAST TO DEAL WITH SUPPORT AND INSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE FUTURE WORK OF THE G-77 INCLUDED IN ITS CONSIDERATIONS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE THE QUESTION OF A G-77 SECRETARIAT AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO BOTH UN ACTIVITIES AND THE NAC.

4. ON THE BASIC OF A FAIRLY WIDE RANGE OF CONTACTS, IT APPEARS THAT THIS ECOND COMMITTEE WILL BE A HOTBED INSOFAR AS TI WILL ALSO BE CHARGED WITH THE QUESTION OF HOW THE MINISTERIAL PLENARY DEALS WITH THE NAC QUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT OF THE COLOMBO REPORT. THOMPSON UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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